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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
LAFAYETTE-OPELOUSAS DIVISION

MIKE WILSON

CIVIL ACTION NO. 06-1340

VS.

JUDGE HAIK

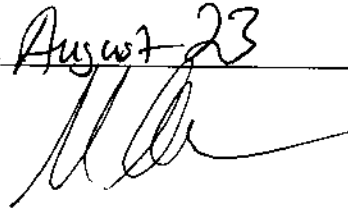
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO.

MAGISTRATE JUDGE METHVIN

**JURISDICTIONAL REVIEW RULING**

This case was removed from a local state court based on the allegation of defendant that the matter in controversy exceeds \$75,000 and that this court therefore has diversity jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §1332. Removal documents show that plaintiff alleges that he injured his back and knee when an elevator failed and dropped. Defendant had recently serviced the elevator. As a result of his injuries, plaintiff alleges that he incurred medical expenses, and has loss of earnings and loss of earning capacity. The petition also states that plaintiff's damages exceed \$50,000.00, the jurisdictional limit for a trial by jury in state court. La. C.C.Proc. Art. 1732. Considering the foregoing, the requisite jurisdictional amount has been established. Accordingly, no additional briefing is required.

Signed at Lafayette, Louisiana on August 23, 2006.



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